

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-44 (canceled).

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Claim 45 (currently amended): A method for providing a user access over a data network to select billing records associated with a telecommunications account of the user, the method comprising:

storing billing records associated with the user's telecommunications account in a data base, wherein said stored billing records include new billing records for which an invoice has not yet been issued to the user, and wherein said new billing records include individual transaction charges incurred within a billing period from a plurality of entities;

receiving a query containing one or more parameters from the user over the data network, the query seeking which of the billing records associated with the user's telecommunications account satisfy the one or more parameters of the query;

searching the data base for individual billing records associated with the user's telecommunications account which satisfy the one or more parameters of the query received from the user; and

displaying results of the searching to the user over the data network, including displaying the individual [billing records] transaction charges associated with the user's telecommunications account which satisfy the one or more parameters of the query received from the user.

Claim 46 (previously presented): The method of claim 45 wherein storing includes storing new billing records associated with the user's telecommunication account in the data base, and providing the user access over the data network to the new billing records stored in the data base, before a bill corresponding to said new billing records is issued to the user.

Claim 47 (canceled).

Claim 48 (previously presented). The method of claim 45 wherein at least some of the billing records relate to a web service.

Claim 49 (previously presented). The method of claim 45 wherein at least some of the billing records relate to a service selected from the group consisting of an Internet service, a telephone service, and a pager service.

Claim 50 (previously presented). The method of claim 45 further comprising receiving a request from the user for an alert when a user-specified criteria relating to the billing records is satisfied, and providing the alert to the user when the user-specified criteria relating to said billing records is satisfied.

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Claim 51 (canceled).

Claim 52 (previously presented): The method of claim 45 wherein the billing records are associated with at least one telecommunication device, and further comprising receiving a request from the user to disable the telecommunication device when a user-specified criteria relating to said billing records is satisfied, and disabling the telecommunication device when the user-specified criteria relating to said billing records is satisfied.

Claims 53-56 (canceled).

Claim 57 (previously presented): The method of claim 45 wherein receiving includes receiving the query via a search web page, and wherein displaying includes displaying said results to the user via a search results web page.

Claim 58 (previously presented): The method of claim 45 wherein the billing records relate to a plurality of differing communication devices.

Claim 59 (previously presented). The method of claim 45 wherein said one or more parameters of the query are selected from the group consisting of calling device, device called, area called, transaction duration, transaction cost, date of transaction, and time of transaction.

Claim 60 (previously presented). The method of claim 45 wherein the data network is the Internet.

Claim 61 (previously presented). The method of claim 45 wherein the data network is a private packet-switched network.

61 Claim 62. (currently amended): A method for providing a user access over a data network to billing records associated with a telecommunications account of the user, the method comprising:

storing billing records associated with the user's telecommunications account in a data base, wherein said stored billing records include new billing records for which an invoice has not yet been issued to the user, and wherein said new billing records include individual transaction charges incurred within a billing period from a plurality of entities;

receiving a request from the user over the data network to view the stored billing records;
and

displaying the stored billing records to the user over the data network, including displaying the [new billing records] individual transaction charges for which an invoice has not yet been issued to the user.

Claim 63 (canceled).

Claim 64 (previously presented): The method of claim 62 wherein at least some of the billing records relate to a web service.

Claim 65 (previously presented): The method of claim 62 wherein at least some of the billing records relate to a service selected from the group consisting of an Internet service, a telephone service, and a pager service.